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Annual  
Town Meeting  
Monday  
February 3rd

## Republican Caucus

The Republican caucus was held at the Town Hall on Tuesday evening, January 14th with about fifty persons in attendance, to nominate candidates for the several town offices to be voted at the annual town meeting. After calling the meeting to order by chairman William F. Hoehn and the reading of the call by secretary Mrs. Carroll H. Miller, the caucus organized with Fred H. Doolittle as chairman, Mrs. Mildred Addison, clerk and Mrs. Willis Parker as teller. The only contests subject to ballot were for School committee when I. J. Lawrence won over Mrs. Marion Billings by one vote and in the contest for tree warden when two ballots were taken, the first a tie and in the second Dean Williams winning one vote over Leslie Martin. William F. Hoehn who has served as moderator for over ten years and had stated his purpose previously to retire at the end of his term declined renomination and George McEwan received the nomination. The following are the candidates of the caucus:

Mrs. Josephine Haskell, town clerk for one year; Charles F. Slate, treasurer for one year; George Carr, Ernest Parker and George Sheldon, selectmen for one year; George McEwan, moderator for one year; Charles Slate, tax collector for one year; Irving J. Lawrence, school committee for three years; Miss Mercy Braun and Joseph W. Field, library trustees for three years; Clifford Field, assessor for three years; George N. Kidder, cemetery commissioner for three years; Charles C. Morgan, cemetery commissioner for one year; Dean Williams tree warden; Martin Vorce, granddaughter of Frederick A. Davis of Harry Haskell, Joseph Morgan and Robert Murray Hammond, constables for one year; and Dr. F. Wilton Dean, member of the planning board for five years.

After voting that vacancies shall be filled by the committee the meeting adjourned.

## Mrs. Charlotte Rayman

for eight years at Amsterdam and 121st Street in the Columbia University section of New York City takes pleasure in announcing the

February 1st Opening

of her

## BEAUTY SALON

in the

Northfield Hotel

## No Passengers Please

The last remaining passenger and express service on the Central Vermont railroad in Northfield as well as the other towns on the line between the East Northfield station and Palmer will be ended on February first as approved by the State department of Public Utilities. The train providing this service has been operating at a loss of \$4,700 per month and the passengers carried numbered about one a day northbound and eight a day southbound. Northfields selectmen joined with the selectmen of other towns along the line of the railroad in a protest but without avail. Now passengers and express will have to be handled for Northfield at the East Northfield station and rail service will be by the Boston and Maine R R in an indirect way. The Central Vermont R R will practically now use the line primarily for freight shipments.

## His Car Was Stolen

Harry A. Erickson of Mount Hermon drove his car to Greenfield, Saturday afternoon the 11th to do some shopping. He left his Plymouth 1941 parked on Hope Street near a garage to have some work attended to with his keys in it, but upon return the car was not there. It had been stolen and the loss was reported to the police who began an investigation and sent out an alarm. On Saturday the 18th, just a week later the car was found abandoned on a side street in Springfield by the police of that city much the worse for the treatment it had received. The culprits have not been found.

The demand for the holding of a caucus to nominate candidates for office did not prove as popular as was expected and many who advocated such a procedure did not even attend. The Democrats made no move for a caucus and the independent citizens were not even heard from. In a small community there is no better method than filing of papers by all or any candidates. At least every individual has a chance in seeking office.

A daughter was born to Mr. and Mrs. Louis Davis of the Hermon Road on Monday December 30th. Granddaughter of Frederick A. Davis of Harry Haskell, Joseph Morgan and Robert Murray Hammond, constables for one year; and Dr. F. Wilton Dean, member of the planning board for five years.

The Pioneer Valley Association has begun its campaign to solicit renewals of memberships in Northfield and throughout the towns of the valley. The Association also invites new affiliations.

## File As Candidates

Immediately following the recent caucus, within the time stated by law, two additional candidates have filed nomination papers and there will be at least two contests. One for member of the School Committee for three years and the other for Tree Warden for one year. The name of Mrs. Marian Billings of the Farms will appear on the ballot for School Committee. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William Craig of Northfield Farms, the wife of Glenn Billings and the mother of two children. Mrs. Billings has lived in Northfield and East Northfield for the past ten years, during which time she has practiced her profession of registered nurse. She is also a member of the P. T. A., secretary and treasurer of the Alexander Hall Committee and vice-president of the Ladies' Benevolent Society of Northfield Farms.

For Tree Warden, Leslie Martin will be a contender and he promises an efficient service if elected. He has resided in Northfield for several years and with his wife and family resides on the Plains Road.

## The Fortnightly

A well attended meeting of the Fortnightly was held at Alexander Hall, Friday afternoon the 17th when Monroe Smith, director of the Youth Hostel and who visited Europe last summer with 100 hostellers, gave an account of his experiences and observation. The talk was most interesting and was illustrated. The next meeting scheduled for Fortnightly members is Friday, February 7th at Alexander Hall when John H. Jones will speak on Alexander Woolcott and read from "The man who came to dinner". The tea hostesses will be Miss Ina Merriman; Mrs. Orvil Mirtz; Mrs. Carroll Miller and Mrs. William D. Miller.

## Town Topics

Be sure to cut the coupon from this paper and get your free booklet of "you and me" from the Western Mass Electric Co. After signing it, mail it to the company, Federal Street, Greenfield, Mass. It contains much valuable information.

A. A. Dunklee of South Vernon was recently re-elected a vice president of the Vermont Peoples National Bank of Brattleboro.

## Classified

WANTED — Bellboys, part or full time. Experience not necessary. Good working and living conditions. References required. Call Nfld. 341.

FOR SALE—Round cast iron coal heating stove, with pipe, \$10. Phone 536.

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## Star Chapter Installs

Northfield Chapter Order of the Eastern Star installed its officers at Masonic Hall Friday evening, January 10th before a large gathering of its members. Officers are Mrs. Hazel Anderson, matron; J. William Wilde, patron; Mrs. Dorothy Mann, associate matron; Mrs. Evelyn Parker, secretary; Miss Gladys Elithorpe, treasurer; Mrs. Helen Stearns, conductress; Mrs. Eleanor Reid, associate conductress; Mrs. Elizabeth Hewitt, junior past matron, chaplain; Mrs. Gertrude Morgan, marshal; Mrs. Marion Goodspeed, organist; Mrs. Ruth Bolton, Ada; Mrs. Eva Fox, Ruth; Mrs. Jennie Warnock, Esther; Mrs. Florence Wilde, Martha; Mrs. Elizabeth Pallam, warden; Ralph Forsyth, sentinel. Mrs. Dorothy Holbrook, Electra. Installing officers were Mrs. Belle Marden, organist of the grand chapter, and a past matron, installing matron; Horace Weake, past patron of Adelphi chapter of Springfield installing patron; Mrs. Dorothy Bolton, past matron, marshal; Mrs. Alfreda Mattern, past matron, chaplain; Mrs. Marion Goodspeed, past matron, organist; Miss Ruth Elizabeth Field, soloist; and Mrs. Florence Everett, accompanist.

A covered dish supper and reception was held and the decorations were in pastel colors, and baskets of white flowers.

At the next meeting, February 12, several members will participate in a one-act play. A Valentine party will follow.

After visiting relatives in Hamilton, Ohio, Rev. Mary Andrews Conner has spent much time in Kansas City, Mo. where she formerly resided and served as a minister. She met many old friends who extended a heartfelt welcome and feted her. From Kansas city Mrs. Conner travels to old Mexico and there will enjoy the beauty and grandeur of the country. In a letter received Mrs. Conner says that Northfield and her friends are often in remembrance and she reads the Press with interest upon its arrival.

The Senior class of the High School held a card party at the Town Hall Tuesday evening the 21st to enrich their Washington trip fund.

## PARAMOUNT

Brattleboro

Sun.-Tues.—Jan. 26-28

PALMY DAYS

Eddie Cantor George Raft

RAFFLES

Olivia DeHavilland David Niven

Wed.-Thurs.—Jan. 29-30

QUEEN OF BURLESQUE

Evelyn Ankers Carleton Young

ALIAS MR. TWILIGHT

Michael Duane Trudy Marshall

Fri.-Sat.—Jan. 31, Feb. 1

ENCHANTED FOREST

Edmund Lowe Brenda Joyce

VACATION IN RENO

Jack Haley Anne Jeffreys

## Schools List News

Speakers at the Northfield Schools this Sunday, January 26, will be Dr. Paul D. Moody, who will preach in Russell Sage Chapel at 11 o'clock and Dr. Liston Pope of the Yale Divinity School, who will lead the morning worship service in Mount Hermon Memorial Chapel at 10:30.

On Saturday there will be a Glee Club concert at Mount Hermon at the noon assembly in Camp Hall and in the afternoon the Vermont Academy basketball, hockey and ski teams will compete with the Hermon teams.

Mount Hermon School has been elected recently to membership in the School and College Conference on English. John Baldwin has been appointed as the school's representative in the association. Miss Eva Freeman of the Northfield faculty is vice president of the organization.

Dr. William E. Park will be the speaker at a meeting of the Greenfield Rotary Club, Wednesday evening, January 29. He recently addressed the Mount Hermon Women's Literary Society when he spoke on "Robert Frost".

Major William Marshall now with the occupation forces in Japan is expected at his home here soon on a leave of absence.

The members of the W C T U met in the regular session with Mrs. Lawrence Lazelle at her home on Glenwood Ave Wednesday January 22. There was a picnic luncheon served at noon and there were morning and afternoon programs.

## Hermon Boys Found

The two Mount Hermon school students, John R. Sanford and Francis S. Kendall whose absence was discovered and reported on Sunday morning January 12th have returned to their studies after being located in Florida by the police. They were freshmen entering last fall and resumed their studies after the Christmas vacation. They had roomed in Crossley Hall. Probably the lure of Florida with its sunshine was too much during our severe spell of weather.

## GARDEN GREENFIELD

Continuous from 1.30

Wed. - Sat. Jan. 22 - 25

MGM'S Big Musical Hit

"TILL THE CLOUDS ROLL BY"

In Happy Technicolor

Starring

Van Johnson Judy Garland  
Frank Sinatra June Allyson  
Robert Walker Kathryn Grayson

Sun. - Tues. Jan. 26 - 28

BETTY HUTTON SONNY TUFTS

In

"CROSS MY HEART"  
2nd HIT "LIGHHOUSE"

## LATCHIS MEMORIAL BRATTLEBORO AUDITORIUM

2:15

6:30

8:30

Fri. - Sat. Jan. 24 - 25

WAKE UP AND DREAM

John Payne June Haver

Technicolor

Sun. - Wed. Jan. 26 - 29

THE SECRET HEART

Claudette Colbert, Walter Pidgeon

Thurs. - Sat. Jan. 30 - Feb. 1

TWO SMART PEOPLE

John Hodiak Lucille Ball

Sun. - Mon. Jan. 26 - 27

BIG SLEEP Humphrey Bogart, Lauren Bacall

Tuesday, Jan. 28

WHISTLE STOP George Raft Ava Gardner

VERMONT FORUMS Wednesday

Thurs. - Sat. Jan. 30 - Feb. 1 Home In Oklahoma Monte Hale Adrian Booth

**Out of Dairying**

Arthur H. Bolton of West Northfield, owner of the Ferndale Dairy Farm and well known breeder of Holstein and Jersey cattle has decided to quit the dairy business. He has sold his herd of 63 head and they have been removed to the Perry Farm in Bernardston. Mr. Bolton will be remembered for his splendid service in the milk business to the people of this community. He has not announced his plans for the future. Recently his son, Horace Bolton who started a large dairy farm on the Holton place on Mount Hermon Hill also sold his stock, and is now engaged in another business.

**Town Topics**

The campaign of the "March of Dimes" for the infantile paralysis fund in the county is now underway and the solicitation in Northfield is under the direction of Supt. Taylor of our schools. Fifty percent of the amount secured goes to the National Foundation and the balance to the county organization for stricken persons here.

The New England Council reports that winter resorts have increased in New England and 650 hotels and inns are open with accommodations for over 28,000 people. In the list is the Northfield Hotel which is conducting its own campaign of advertising for "snow sports and winter fun". The hotel management provides facilities for a long list of winter sports and arrivals for weekends are increasing.

William Craig of the Farms who recently suffered a fall down the cellar stairs at his home and sustained painful injuries is now about again and much improved.

A son, Clayton Ralph, was born to Mr. and Mrs. Homer Browning, Jr. of this town on Wednesday, January 15; grandson of Mr. and Mrs. Homer Browning of the Millers Falls road and John Marcy of Chicago.

Mrs. Calvin Field and young daughter have returned from Brattleboro Memorial hospital to the Field home on Main Street.

Eugene Irish of Warwick Ave. who has been at the Brattleboro Memorial hospital for treatment has returned home and is much improved.

At the annual meeting of the Northfield Health council held at town hall Monday the 13th, Mrs. Joseph W. Reeves was chosen president; Mrs. Maud Montague, vice president; Miss Mary Dalton, secretary-treasurer and Mrs. Carroll H. Miller, auditor. A conference with the town nurse considered plans of work for the coming year.

The new ski club founded by its president George Marshall and his friends have found a name for the organization which boasts over fifty members. It will be called the Kandahar Ski Club. A new fall of snow is awaited to produce better skiing.

Mrs. Allen H. Wright will be hostess to the Evening Auxiliary of the Congregational church at her home Friday evening the 24th when Miss Helen Handy will speak.

John Galvas and his son Eugene have moved a herd of cattle into the barns on the D. C. Donahue farm on the Millers Falls road which they recently purchased.

Mr. and Mrs. George W. Carr attended the recent meeting of the Union Agriculture Association held in Worcester. There were 9,000 delegates in attendance and the gathering was directed by Alfred W. Lombard in a three day session. Mrs. Carr submitted a statement on the marketing of vegetables with many others in the competition but Mrs. Carr was awarded second prize of ten dollars.

Miss Alma Dunkles of South Vernon who is at Westbrook Junior college and a member of its glee club participated in a concert given by the club in Boston last week.

Mr. and Mrs. J. V. McNeil of Maple street have returned from a few weeks visit and stay at their vacation home in Maine.

The Youth Hostel report of its activities for the past year indicates it has 15,000 passholders and that 206 youth hostels in twenty eight states have served them. There are eleven youth hostels remaining open this winter in New England to accommodate those enjoying winter sports.

In our last issue we reported that the Christmas Seal sale in Northfield brought in \$271.90. The amount secured in 1945 was \$326.25. The total amount in the county for 1946 was \$9,351.81 and the year before \$9,559.77.

Following the conviction of two young men from Northfield in district court for parking their cars at night without lights on the public street, there will be a further check up on others who are doing the same thing.

Campaigns for funds will be made for the County Infantile Paralysis Assn., the Salvation Army and the American Red Cross in Northfield at appointed times, which will be announced.

Mrs. Frank W. Harness is closing her house on the Plains Road and will go to Colrain for the remainder of the winter.

R. S. Kuhn of South Vernon has become actively interested in the business of antiques and is both buying and selling.

Mr. and Mrs. Wallace Stange are now occupying their new home on North Lane. Mrs. Stange is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Leroy Barnes of West Northfield.

At the annual meeting of the Farms Library Association held Saturday evening the 11th, Charles C. Morgan was elected a trustee. Lewis Wood is clerk of the association and Ernest Parker moderator. The book committee consists of Mrs. Hazel Kimball, Mrs. Dorothy Clough, Mrs. Olive Leach, Mrs. Nettie Gilbert, Mrs. Agnes Hammond, Mrs. Virginia Leach and Mrs. Mary Parker.

Miss Patricia Jennings, a member of the National staff of the American Youth Hostel was received in reception by the Boston Council, Friday the 17th when she explained much of the work of the organization. She was a former student at the Northfield School for Girls and has been active in Red Cross work.

Glasses in swimming for beginners will be conducted for the next ten weeks at the pool of the Northfield School for Girls by the Red Cross Chapter. Entrants must be at least 16 years of age, file a physician's certificate of good health and pay a fee.

Full information may be had of Miss Long at Red Cross offices in Greenfield.

Samuel J. Martineau of South Vernon has returned to his home after an operation at the Mary Hitchcock Hospital at Hanover, N. H. He is making a good recovery.

A daughter was born recently to Mr. and Mrs. John A. Plotczyk in Springfield, Vermont; granddaughter to Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Plotczyk of West Northfield.

A son was born to Mr. and Mrs. Charles H. Taber of Tempe, Arizona on Tuesday, November 12th. Grandson of Mr. and Mrs. Charles F. Taber of Tempe and former residents of this town.

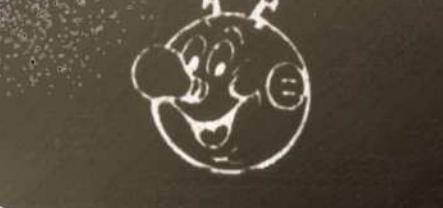
Because of her achievement in music, Miss Gloria Savechek of this town, who is a student at the Boston University of music will have her biography inserted in Who's Who of American college students attaining honors.

Ames Schoinger of Murphysboro, Ill. was a visitor in Northfield on Wednesday, January 8th calling upon the editor of the Press. He is an experienced advertising expert on newspapers.

This area has been experiencing the severest winter weather it has had for thirty years. The accumulation of two snows has been covered with ice and it has been slippery for all kinds of traffic. The trees are covered with ice and considerable damage has resulted. It has been cold too with low mercury readings. A weather prophet said when the season opened, "we would have a tough winter" and he was right.

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